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REMAIN AT LOGGER HEADS IN VILLEURBANNE.

IN VILLEURBANNE A FINAL MEETING TOOK PLACE THIS
WEEK BETWEEN SOCIALISTS, COMMUNISTS AND LEFT RADICALS TO
IRON OUT THEIR DIFFICULTIES. ONCE AGAIN NO AGREEMENT WAS
REACHED AND IT NOW APPEARS EVEN LESS LIKELY THAT ANY
RESOLUTION MAY YET BE ACHIEVED. IN THE MEANTIME, COMMUNIST

CANTONAL COUNCIL MEMBER RENE DESGRAND WILL PRESENT
TODAY A LIST WHICH HE WILL HEAD AND WHICH HE CHARACTERIZED
AS BEING NOT A 'COMMUNIST' LIST, BUT ONE OF 'VILLEURBANNE
SE UNITY', FEATURING A MINORITY IF 18 COMMUNISTS
AMONG 41 CANDIDATES.

IN EFFECT, THE PARTNERS OF THE LEFT HAVE NO REAL QUARREL
REGARDING THE NUMERICAL DISTRIBUTION OF SEATS,BUT THE
DISPUTE STILL CENTERS ON THE QUESTION OF WHO HEADS THE
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LIST.

RECALLING THE NAMES OF THREE PREVIOUS COMMUNIST MAYORS,
GRANDCLEMENT, CAMILLE JOLY AND GEORGES LEVY, DESGRAND
CLAIMS THAT VILLEURBANNE HAS ALWAYS BEEN COMMUNIST.
HE SAID HIS CANDIDACY HAS NOT ONLY THE SOLID SUPPORT
OF THE CGT, BUT ALSO OF NUMEROUS UNALIGNED CIVIC

LEADERS WHO ALLEDGEDLY SIGNED A PETITION FAVORING A
COMMUNIST TO HEAD THE LIST. THE P.C. HOPES TO DISCREDIT
SOCIALIST DEPUTY CHARLES HERNU AS A POLITICAL OPPORTUNIST
WHO 'PARACHUTED' INTO THE AREA.
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